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Clinton County Resident Doing Business in Lafayette Arrested for Tax Evasion

Clinton County resident Richard Tappenden, operator of Pro-Audio, Incorporated, in Lafayette, Indiana, was arrested for allegedly collecting Indiana sales taxes from his customers and failing to remit those taxes to the State of Indiana.

Tappenden surrendered to Tippecanoe County Superior Court 5 on August 25, 2003, after an investigation into the business practices of Pro-Audio.

Three Class D felony charges were filed by the Indiana Department of Revenue's Criminal Investigation Division with the Tippecanoe County Prosecutor's Office – one count of Failure to Remit Retail Sales Tax, one count of Failure to Provide Records and one count of Theft.

The maximum sentence for a single Class D felony is three years, along with a possible fine of not more than \$10,000.

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